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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF  
DIRK SIMON ET AL  
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP 2004/052171  
FILED: **September 15, 2004**  
FOR: MOLECULAR WEIGHT INCREASE AND  
MODIFICATION OF POLYCONDENSATES  
U.S. APPLICATION NO: **not yet assigned**  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit that present Preliminary Amendment to place the claims in better condition for examination on their merits.